



SERIAL NO: 09/484,629

Version with markings to show changes made:

Claim 23:

23. (Amended) A transgenic animal [non-human mammal] possessing the following obese phenotype: (i) a very late onset of obesity, (ii) a highly selective visceral distribution of fat developing on a normal rodent diet, without hyperphagia, (iii) an effect greatly preponderant in males, (iv) a predisposition to excessive dietary-fat induced obesity at an early age, before the phenotype becomes apparent on a normal diet, and (v) a dominant pattern of inheritance; the transgenic animal [non-human mammal] being obtainable by transformation with a vector of any one of claims 1-7 any one of claims 11 to 14.